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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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| Application Number     | 09 528 788 / 8/02 |
| Filing Date            | 17 Mar 2000       |
| First Named Inventor   | Parabotta         |
| Art Unit               | 2828              |
| Examiner Name          | Rodriguez         |
| Attorney Docket Number | FREI P030US       |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on 5 Sept 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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**for FY 2003**

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**Complete if Known**

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| First Named Inventor | Paschetta   |
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| Large Entity Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| 1001 740                   | 2001 370                   | Utility filing fee     |          |
| 1002 330                   | 2002 165                   | Design filing fee      |          |
| 1003 510                   | 2003 255                   | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 1004 740                   | 2004 370                   | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 1005 180                   | 2005 80                    | Provisional filing fee |          |

**SUBTOTAL (1)** (\$)**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

| Total Claims       | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| Independent        | -20** =      | X              |          |
| Multiple Dependent | -3** =       | X              |          |

| Large Entity Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------|
| 1202 18                    | 2202 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                     |          |
| 1201 84                    | 2201 42                    | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |          |
| 1203 280                   | 2203 140                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |          |
| 1204 84                    | 2204 42                    | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |          |
| 1205 18                    | 2205 9                     | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |          |

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| 1051 130                   | 2051 65                    | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 1052 50                    | 2052 25                    | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 1053 130                   | 1053 130                   | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812 2,520                 | 1812 2,520                 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                            |          |
| 1804 920*                  | 1804 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805 1,840*                | 1805 1,840*                | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251 110                   | 2251 55                    | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252 400                   | 2252 200                   | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253 920                   | 2253 460                   | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254 1,440                 | 2254 720                   | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255 1,960                 | 2255 980                   | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401 320                   | 2401 160                   | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402 320                   | 2402 160                   | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403 280                   | 2403 140                   | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451 1,510                 | 1451 1,510                 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452 110                   | 2452 55                    | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453 1,280                 | 2453 640                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501 1,280                 | 2501 640                   | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 1502 460                   | 2502 230                   | Design issue fee   |          |
| 1503 620                   | 2503 310                   | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 1460 130                   | 1460 130                   | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 1807 50                    | 1807 50                    | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 1806 180                   | 1806 180                   | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 8021 40                    | 8021 40                    | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809 740                   | 2809 370                   | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))                |          |
| 1810 740                   | 2810 370                   | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))             |          |
| 1801 740                   | 2801 370                   | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 1802 900                   | 1802 900                   | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify)

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